

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Takashi Horai et al.
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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING DATA IN
OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM AND OPTICAL RECORDING
MEDIUM

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INTERVIEW SUMMARY UNDER 37 CFR 1.133

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2007, please consider the following Remarks.

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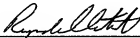
REMARKS

Applicants thank Supervisory Patent Examiner Young for his time and the courtesy he extended during a telephone interview on August 28, 2007 with Applicants' representative Mr. Carlson. During that interview, Examiner Young reiterated that Rule 1.131 requires all inventors of claimed subject matter to sign a declaration under that rule in the absence of certain exceptions. Examiner Young suggested that Applicants file a Petition under Rule 1.183 to suspend the rule that requires all inventors of claimed subject matter to sign a Rule 1.131 Declaration, particularly in view that inventor Hiroyuki Arioka is otherwise unavailable.

In accordance with Examiner Young's suggestion, Applicants have submitted herewith a Petition under Rule 1.183 to accept a declaration of prior invention when one of the joint inventors cannot be reached.

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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